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LETTER DATED 10 AUGUST 1994 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF CROATIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to enclose herewith a copy of the letter by the President of the Republic of Croatia, Dr. Franjo Tudjman, addressed to you.

I would kindly request your assistance in distributing this letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Vladimir DROBNJAK
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

Annex

Letter dated 11 August 1994 from the President of the Republic of Croatia addressed to the President of the Security Council

The army under the control of the Bosnian Serb authorities carried out yet another serious act of aggression against the Republic of Croatia in the area of Dubrovnik this morning. Seven impacts were recorded in the vicinity of Cilipi airport. This attack on the Dubrovnik area is second in two weeks. The Bosnian Serb army shelled the Dubrovnik region on 24 July. Fifty-two detonations were recorded on that day. The attacks on Dubrovnik, a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization "world heritage" city, have often been carried out from the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina under the control of the Bosnian Serb army.

This act of aggression which follows the developments of 24 July could seriously undermine the efforts of the Contact Group in the region; the use of the Bosnian Serb army as a proxy against the territorial integrity and sovereignty of the Republic of Croatia is a significant threat to the Zagreb cease-fire agreement of 29 March. Therefore, I respectfully request the members of the Council to immediately consider this situation with utmost concern.

The shelling of Dubrovnik from the territory of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina underscores the view that the solution-seeking process in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia cannot be separated, but pursued in parallel, through the diplomatic means of the Contact Group, which Croatia fully supports, but also through other measures such as the control of borders of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro), north from Hungary/Serbia/Croatia border point, to the southernmost border point between Croatia and Montenegro. This clear use of proxy force against the Republic of Croatia demands equal treatment of the Bosnian Serb authorities and the Knin authorities in the occupied territories of Croatia. Thus, the members of the Council cannot overlook the relationship between the Belgrade authorities and the authorities in the occupied territories of Croatia, since the latter is still clearly cooperating with the Bosnian Serb authorities.

The acts of aggression by the Bosnian Serb army in the Dubrovnik area cannot be taken lightly by Croatia any longer, and I implore the members of the Council, once again, to consider this issue with all due consideration.

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF CROATIA

(Signed) Franjo TUDJMAN